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Central Idaho RAC to meet October 19

The Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet Monday, October 19 at 1 p.m., in Salmon Idaho, to review RAC procedures, and the progress on nearly \$1 million in RAC projects approved this year. They will also begin preparing for the 2010 project review and recommendation season. The meeting will be held in the Salmon-Challis National Forest Supervisor's office in the Public Lands Center, 1206 South Challis Street in Salmon.

The RAC had a total of \$987,753 to spend on projects this year, made available to Butte, Custer and Lemhi Counties through the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2008. The RAC works closely with the Forest Service to recommend projects that will benefit forest health, fish, wildlife, soils, watersheds and other resources; maintain roads, trails and other infrastructure; or control noxious weeds.

RAC projects must be located on National Forest System Lands in Custer, Lemhi or Butte counties or on other nearby lands if the project will benefit the resources on the National Forests. Projects can be completed by Forest Service personnel, through partnership agreements or by open-bid contracting with individuals and corporations.

The public is welcome to attend the RAC meetings. For more information on the RAC contact RAC Coordinator, Kent Fuellenbach at 208-756-5145.